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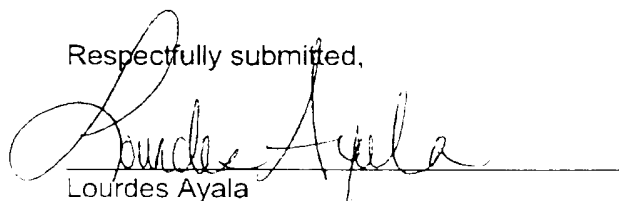
Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence comprising:

1. Amendment Fee Transmittal
2. Amendment

was sent to the United States Patent and Trademark Office by telefax to the attention of Examiner M. Monshipouri, fax number (703) 308-4242.

Respectfully submitted,



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

No additional claim or extension fee is required.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 1, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following paragraph at page 1, line 2:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119 of U.S. provisional application no. 60/183,133 filed February 17, 2000, the contents of which are fully incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-13 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please add new claims 14-30:

14. An animal feed additive comprising

(a) at least one acid-stable protease that has an amino acid sequence that has an

(b) ratio of more or less stable vitamin water-soluble vitamins to water-soluble vitamins and/or macro minerals.